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Blue Grass Fish & Wildlife Area Frequently Asked Questions

When is your office open?

Blue Grass is managed by staff at the <u>Sugar Ridge FWA</u> office. The Sugar Ridge office is open Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Do you operate on Eastern time or Central time?

The Sugar Ridge office operates on Eastern time.

Do you allow deer stands to be put up on the property?

Yes. Portable tree stands may be left overnight between Sept. 1 and Jan. 10. They must be marked with the owner's name, address and telephone number.

What types of hunting opportunities are allocated through a reserve draw?

Dove hunting during the first week of the season is allocated through a pre-season reserve draw. Hunters may register online for the reserve draw at http://www.in.gov/ai/appfiles/dnr-slh/landing_page.html Registrations are typically accepted starting in July.

When is the trapping drawing?

Trapping opportunities are allocated at the Sugar Ridge trapping draw, the first Saturday in October at 10 a.m. at the Sugar Ridge office. The draw allocates opportunities for both Sugar Ridge and Blue Grass fish & wildlife areas.

• Can I hunt mushrooms on the property and do I have to sign in?

Yes. Signing in is not required. However, during spring turkey season, mushroom hunting is not allowed during turkey hunting hours.

• Do I have to sign in to scout, fish, hike or wildlife watch?

No.

Is there a shooting range and is there a fee to use it?

There is no shooting range. However, a rifle range, shotgun range and archery range are available at nearby Sugar Ridge. For more information, visit dnr.IN.gov/fishwild/3648.htm.

Does this property offer any special youth hunting/shooting events?

Yes, call (812) 789-2724 for more information.

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Can I run an outboard motor on Blue Grass waters?

Yes. Outboards are permitted on Blue Grass, Otter and Loon pits at idle speed only; electric trolling motors only on all other pits.

What property regulations are specific to waterfowl hunting?

Waterfowl hunting is allowed a half-hour before sunrise until noon (local time) on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

What property regulations are specific to small game hunting?

Small game hunting is permitted on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays during legal hunting hours. Small game includes quail, rabbit, squirrel and dove.

What property regulations are specific to deer and turkey hunting?

There are no specific property regulations for deer and turkey hunting. Deer and turkey hunting are allowed every day during legal hunting hours.

Is fishing permitted on property waters during waterfowl season?

No. Only registered waterfowl hunters are permitted on property waters during the regular waterfowl season.

• Is dog training permitted at Blue Grass?

Yes, but only in the area north of Boonville-New Harmony Road.